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AN item is going the rounds of the press to the effect that a hen peck has killed a Missouri woman. Many a Missouri man has been henpecked to death and no newspaper mention has ever been made of it.

THE United States, although the youngest of nations, manufactures more goods, sells more merchandise, raises more produce, employs more labor, pays more wages, gives more comforts to its people, has more happy and prosperous homes than any nation on earth.

If there is a chance to boom business, boom it. Don't put on a long face and look as though you had a stomach ache. Hold up your head, smile and look for better things. Hide your little hammer, and try to speak well of others, no matter how small you may know yourself to be.

WORK is a moral and physical uplifter; it is a panacea for sorrow; idleness brings moral decay and furnishes an incentive to crime. The avalanche of crime that is sweeping over our beautiful land is largely due to the fact that too many would rather steal than work. The life of duty, not the life of mere ease or mere pleasure, is the kind of life which makes the great men and women. The first prize that life offers is the chance to work at work worth doing.

New interstate passenger rates between all points in Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin and North and South Dakota are now effective. This reduces all interstate passenger rates to the basis of two cents a mile, except in Wisconsin and the Dakotas, where the rates are based on 2½ cents a mile. The law recently passed in Wisconsin making the rate two cents a mile will become effective August 15 and rates to points in that state will then be further reduced.

The man who pays his debts and taxes may be a blessing or a curse to the community. It depends on what else he does. In making this statement it is to be understood that by the word "debt" is meant the ordinary cash obligation which a man incurs in the transaction of his business. There are men who appear to believe that so long as they are not indebted to their neighbors for goods purchased, or the municipality or the state for the last tax levy they have discharged their whole duty and nothing more can be asked of them. But in reality a man's duty to his neighbor is limited only by his power to do good, and his duty to the community by his ability to be of service to it. The community in which the prevailing statement is "What do I get out of it?" is one which does not and cannot prosper.

"Drunk on Roosevelt"

Some democrats are throwing up their hands and hollering: "The people are drunk on Roosevelt!" Well, if they are really intoxicated, it must be on a good brand of whiskey. The truth is, the masses are not drunk, but sober and happy and prosperous. It is quite a puzzle for these faultfinding democrats to definitely locate the real source of Mr. Roosevelt's strength.

For the enlightenment of befooled and befogged persons who may want to arrive at the real truth underlying the situation we append a few straightforward facts about the president from the Yellow Jacket:

Mr. Roosevelt is a perfect gentleman—a model.

He represents those elements in our national life which are worthy of admiration.

He has a back-bone, deep-seated convictions, and is fully convinced that he is right.

He does not go out timidly and feel of the pulse of the people before he acts, but his own mind acts in concert with the people's minds, and he does things.

He puts his honor above low flung politics and is the president of the whole people.

He does not trail blindly in the ruts of precedents, and cower like a whipped spaniel in the face of criticisms, but keeps everlastingly after his ideals.

He does not limit his scope of usefulness to any party machine or spoil system, but is the friend and counselor of every American citizen.

He is no experiment, but a tried reality.

He does not have to prove his ability, for the masses already recognize it.

He is not a partisan, but the fearless champion of the rights of the masses.

These traits in Theodore Roosevelt put him head and shoulders above any of his critics, and give him a strength that is the wonder of those who would delight to tear him down and trample on his power. He is a many sided man, as broad as his country and as fixed as are its smiling vales and sun-kissed mountains.

LIGHTNING'S AWFUL WORK

G. H. Brown, Brother of S. M. Brown, of Laclede, Killed at Boreing, Kentucky

Last week THE BLADE made brief mention of a brother of S. M. Brown being killed by lightning at his home in Kentucky. The following account of his death is taken from the London, Ky., Sentinel, and shows the unusual thing of a destructive bolt of lightning from a clear sky and no storm cloud in sight:

"About 4 o'clock last Saturday evening, Mr. Granville H. Brown, of Boreing was killed by lightning. He was on top of a wagon of hay, which he was loading. His son, Thomas Brown, was on one side of the wagon, and his son-in-law, John T. Blair, was on the other side, and both were handing hay up to Mr. Brown when the bolt struck him. Thomas Brown was knocked senseless. Blair was knocked down and when he recovered, which was before Tom Brown revived, he was twenty feet from where he was standing when struck. Young Brown and Blair both say they had not noticed any storm cloud, did not see the lightning flash, nor hear the thunder that followed.

"As soon as Mr. Blair recovered he saw that the hay on the wagon was burning and went to the back of the wagon to look on top to find Mr. Brown, when he stepped on his foot. He was under the rear of the wagon dead and covered with hay that had fallen on him when he fell from the wagon. The bolt of lightning had struck Mr. Brown in the center of the forehead, coursed down the center of the body and down each leg. His clothing was torn into shreds. A fine pair of mules hitched to the wagon were killed outright, and the wagon, all but tongue, with the hay that was on it, was destroyed by the fire.

"Granville H. Brown was sixty-seven years old on the 27th day of March, 1907, a very wealthy man, having acquired his means as a farmer. He was one of the original stockholders in the organiza-

Meadville Chautauqua Assembly

AUGUST 17-25, 1907

PROGRAM

Saturday, August 17, 1907

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:45 Selections...Lincoln Male Quartette.
- 3:15 Lecture...Dr. Elliott Boyl.

EVENING

- 7:30 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 8:30 Special Program...Lincoln Quartette.

Sunday, August 18, 1907

MORNING

- 9:30 Sacred Concert...Cameron Band.
- 9:55 Song Service...Lincoln Male Quartette.
- 11:00 Sermon...Rev. Dr. Elliott Boyl.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Character Sketches...Adrian M. Newens
- 4:00 Songs...Lincoln Male Quartette.

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 7:45 Music and Readings...Lincoln Male Quartette and Reader.

Monday, August 19, 1907

MORNING

- 10:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 10:30 Selections...Lincoln Male Quartette.
- 11:00 Lecture...E. L. Follansbee.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Selections...Lincoln Male Quartette.
- 3:00 Impersonations...Adrian M. Newens.

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 7:30 Music and Reading...Lincoln Male Quartette.
- 8:00 Entertainment...Marvin Williams.

Tuesday, August 20, 1907

MORNING

- 10:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 10:30 Selections...Midland Concert Co.
- 11:00 Lecture...E. L. Follansbee.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Music...Midland Concert Co.
- 3:00 Lecture...Rev. Anna Shaw.

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 7:45 Music...Midland Concert Co.
- 8:00 Entertainment...Ash Davis, Cartoonist.

Wednesday, August 21, 1907

MORNING

- 10:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 10:45 Selections...Midland Concert Co.
- 11:15 Lecture...Anna Shaw.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Special Musical Numbers...Midland Concert Company.
- 3:00 Lecture...Thomas E. Green.

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 7:30 Selections...Midland Concert Co.
- 8:00 Entertainment...Ritchie, Magician.

Thursday, August 22, 1907

MORNING

- 10:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 10:30 Entertainment...Hite-Monroe Co.
- 11:15 Lecture...Dr. Thomas E. Green.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Entertainment...Hite-Monroe Co.
- 3:00 Humorous Lecture...Lou J. Beauchamp

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 7:30 Moving Pictures and Songs...Hite-Monroe Company.
- 8:00 Entertainment, Pictures, Instrumental and Vocal Music...Hite-Monroe Co.

Friday, August 23, 1907

MORNING

- 10:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 10:30 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 11:00 Lecture...Henry E. Clark.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 3:00 Lecture...Hon. Wm. J. Bryan.

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 7:30 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 8:00 Entertainment...Hite-Monroe Co.

Saturday, August 24, 1907

MORNING

- 10:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 10:30 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 11:00 Lecture...G. A. Gearhart.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 3:00 Lecture...Dr. Robert S. MacArthur.

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 7:30 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 8:00 Entertainment, Moving Pictures, Violin and Vocal Music...Hite-Monroe Co.

Sunday, August 25, 1907

MORNING

- 9:30 Sacred Concert...Cameron Band.
- 10:00 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 10:50 Lecture...G. A. Gearhart.

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 2:30 Selections...Virginia Warblers.
- 3:00 Lecture...Dr. Robert S. MacArthur.

EVENING

- 7:00 Concert...Cameron Band.
- 8:00 Program...Carter's Virginia Warblers.

tion of the First National Bank of London and one of its directors. Also a stockholder in the First National Bank of Corbin. He had been connected with many successful enterprises in this section. He was a veteran of the civil war, having served in the 7th Kentucky regiment, and had throughout eastern Kentucky a host of friends to regret his sudden death.

"Something like fifteen hundred people attended the burial at Camp Ground Sunday, which was conducted by the Masons, of which order he was a worthy member.

"He leaves a wife and six children, as follows, to mourn his death: Wils Brown, of London; Thomas Brown, of Boreing; Lee Brown, of Laurel county; Mrs. J. T. Blair, of Corbin; Mrs. Harris, of Frankfort, and Charley Brown, now living in Arkansas."

Taft to Circle the Globe

There is much speculation as to Secretary Taft's coming trip to the Philippines by way of Japan and his announced return by way of St. Petersburg. One published report has it that the secretary will not only confer with the mikado and subsequently with the czar of Rus-

sia, but will also personally meet, on the way back, King Edward of England, Emperor William of Germany and President Fallieres of France.

It is said by officials in Mr. Taft's confidence that he will stop in Japan on his way to the opening of the Philippine popular assembly and may or may not see the mikado, but has no plan to see him. It is admitted that the secretary will go over the trans-Siberian railroad to Russia and there see the czar.

Inasmuch as he will not leave this country until fall and is to return in December in time to prepare his annual report for congress, it is said to be extremely improbable that he would have time to make other than a direct circle of the globe without deviating from his route to take in London, Berlin and Paris, and there meet the rulers of those capitals.

After returning from his Canadian vacation, Secretary Taft will spend some time with President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay before leaving for the Orient.

Average Man Behaves Badly

One of THE BLADE's exchanges contains an article regarding the

average man disregarding the law of health. It says the simplest and plainest laws of health are outraged every hour of the day by the average man. Did Adam smoke? Did Eve wear corsets? Did Solomon chew tobacco? Did Ruth chew gum? Did the children of Israel make for a beer garden after crossing the Red sea? Did Rebecca eat gum drops and ice cream and call for soda water? Adam was the first and was made perfect from head to heel. How long would he remain so after eating a mince pie before going to bed? Suppose he had slept in a bedroom five by seven with the windows down, the doors shut and two dogs under the bed? Suppose Eve had laced herself up in a corset, put on high heeled shoes, sat up all hours of the night eating her fill of trash and sizzled her hair. When you come to think of the way a man misbehaves himself you can only wonder he ever lives at all.

For Sale

Ninety feet off the south side of my residence property. Lots No. 1, 2, 3 and 4. Railroad addition to the city of Laclede, Mo. SARAH S. MOSS.